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Raised S.B. No. 204 AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE CONCERNING THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR ON SUNDAY.

Dear Senator Kissel, Representative Mushinsky and Committee Members,

I'm deeply sorry for my absents but please record that I – Nancy Ricci, Former State President of RID, REMOVE INTOXICATED DRIVERS is definitely in **Strong Opposition for S. B. No. 204!** 

I realize our State is in an economical meltdown but raising this bill isn't worth the consequences of extending Connecticut liquor hours. Others will be before you testifying with figures of monies - dangling before your eyes. But please open you heart - because No amount of extra funding will help in bringing back life or ease the suffering of someone injured or maim by the irresponsible use and abuse of alcohol. A price tag can't be applied when the public's health & safety is at risk.

You will hear testimony with figures, fact, reports, studies etc, supporting this Bill. But Please join me, along with thousands of others, who listen to the silent screams of victims due to the irresponsible use and abuse of alcohol. Please Let their voice be heard and NOT forgotten. Please speak for them and kill this bill to serve and protect their surviving love ones, people who gave you that honor-voting you in office.

RID was never against drinking and I could never be proud of implanting and passing major DWI legislation because I had to lose two very extremely special siblings, 15 years apart, before I gave my voice.

Sadly our group is no longer in CT, but the support of saving lives **never ended**, still involved with **RID-USA**, **Inc.** Because **our voice was never buried because of monies**, **power or politics**.

As a wife, mother, grandmother and safety advocate I ask you to vote against this bill. Use your voice and power to remove a potential additional risk of irresponsible alcohol use and abuse. Extending liquor sales on Sunday involves and endangers the public's health and safety!